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Liberty Fest will return to Canton in June

The Liberty Fest will return to Canton Township June 16, 17 and 18 this year. The annual community event, established in 1991, typically welcomes thousands of individuals each summer, who participate in the largest Canton community celebration during the three-day festival.

This year, organizers said, the spectacular fireworks display is planned for Friday, June 17, at dusk rather than the traditional Saturday night event. In the event of inclement weather, Liberty Fest fireworks will take place on Saturday, June 18, at dusk, officials added.

Sponsors for the event are still being accepted as are restaurant participants for the Taste of Liberty Fest. For sponsorship information, contact Advantage Marketing Solutions. In addition, vendors including food trucks, concessions and general vendors can apply at the township online Liberty Fest information site. Entertainers and performers can also register at the Canton Township website where more information and applications are available.

The festival will feature the traditional attractions, organizers said, including carnival rides, midway games, two stages of live entertainment and the Taste of Liberty Fest, along with the Friday night fireworks display.

Information is also available and updated on the Facebook @cantonfun page.

Grant will fund Community Center upgrades

> *We anticipate that the restrooms in the Cultural Center will be completed by May 26.*

A complete renovation of the original 1972 restrooms in the Plymouth Cultural Center began last month in an effort to bring the facilities into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The federal legislation requires all newly-constructed public facilities to be accessible to all members of the population.

City administration officials noted, however, that most of the Plymouth city-owned facilities were constructed prior to the enactment of the act, and retrofitting the older "grandfathered" public structures is usually very costly and not achievable within the annual city budget. Recently, however, with the help of State Rep. Matt Koleszar and Congresswoman Haley Stevens, the city received State of Michigan and federal funding to tackle some of the non-ADA compliant projects. The renovation at the Cultural Center requires rotating the restroom 90 degrees to accommodate all required ADA standards. The floors will be saw cut for new plumbing, cinder block walls will be moved, all doorways will be expanded, and existing bathroom fixtures will be replaced, officials said.

"We anticipate that the restrooms in the Cultural Center will be completed by May 26. Upon their completion, construction will shift to the Ice Arena restrooms where the process will begin all over again, with the final stage of construction expected to be completed by Aug. 19.

"This project has been a long time coming," said Recreation Director Steve Anderson. "We're so thankful our elected leaders have been able to help us out with grants so we can make the facility fully inclusive for all."

Marshmallow Drop events set in Wayne, Westland

> *Children can gather the marshmallows dropped from a low-flying helicopter to retrieve for a prize.*

The Easter Bunny is taking to the sky next week as two popular Marshmallow Drop events return after a 2-year hiatus.

Wayne County and HYPE Athletics in Wayne will each treat children to the traditional Easter fun in separate events on April 15.

The Wayne County event will begin at 11 a.m. at Nankin Mills Park in Westland. Children can gather the marshmallows dropped from a low-flying helicopter to exchange for a prize. There will be three age-appropriate areas for children including one for those 4 and younger, an area for those 5 to 7 years of age and one for children 8 and older.

County officials stressed that the event is not-competitive and that only one marshmallow is needed for children to receive a prize. Nankin Mills Park is located at 33275 Edward Hines Drive in Westland.

Sponsors of the Wayne County event this year include: ITC Holdings, Inc.; National Heritage Academies; Environmental Consulting and Technology; Credit Union One; Allied Building Services;Wayne County Community College; Shore to Shore Credit Union; i9 Sports and Fox 2 Detroit.

For more information about the Wayne County event, call (734) 261-1990.

In the City of Wayne, HYPE Athletics is sponsoring the popular Easter event, which will see more than 10,000 marshmallows dropped onto the Anderson Ball Fields at Attwood Park. This event will also take place Friday, April 15 and present goodie bags to children in exchange for the marshmallows they retrieve. The Wayne event was suspended for 2 years in response to the health concerns and restrictions during the COVID pandemic.

The HYPE Athletics event will also include three age-appropriate times for children to gather the marshmallows to turn in for a special goodie bag. The first drop for toddlers up to age 4 and children with disabilities will take place at 10 a.m.; the second drop for children ages 5 to 7 will take place at 10:15 a.m. and the final drop for those ages 8 to 10 is planned for 10:30 a.m.

Attwood Park is located at 33601 Annapolis St. in Wayne.

For more information about the City of Wayne event, contact HYPE at (734) 721-7400.

The Wayne County Annual Marshmallow Drop draws hundreds of youngsters from throughout the area who gather the sweets to exchange for prizes.

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State Rep. Jewell Jones (D-Inkster), introduced a bill last week with bipartisan support to address concerns related to accountability with the state auto insurance system.

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Following a 2-year hiatus, the Eggstravaganza egg hunt for children ages 2 to 10 years old will return to Maybury Farm this Saturday.

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The Michigan Philharmonic is hoping that "April showers bring May dollars" as the annual matching fundraiser is under way through April and May.

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Wayne - Westland

Westland accepting police candidate applications

The Westland Police Department is now accepting applications to join the force.

The department recently exhausted the most recent police officer eligibility list and the next list of viable candidates for hire is now in the process, officials said.

As part of that process, applicants will be required to take the written portion of their testing through EMPCO (http://empco.net/). Applicants must also meet several other requirements before paying for and taking the mandatory written test. Those qualifications include U.S. citizenship and a high school diploma or GED along with a valid drivers license and reaching 21 years of age. Candidates must also be a graduate of a police academy and MCOLES (Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards) certified, or certifiable at time of hire, or a law enforcement academy attendee at time of application.

> *The deadline to apply for the latest roster of candidates is 4 p.m. April 29.*

The Westland Police Officers Association membership signed a four-year collective bargaining agreement May 5. The contract includes improvements to the police officers benefits, including: top salary of $72,671, with a total compensation package of $87,093; a defined benefit pension plan with a multiplier of 2.25 or an option of a defined contribution plan with employer match; top vacation accrual of 260 hours per year; 18 hours of sick time per month; 15 paid holidays; 72 hours of personal time per year and a bonus of 48 hours of vacation time per year added to an officers' bank if less than 48 hours of sick time are used in a calendar year.

The deadline to apply for the latest roster of candidates is 4 p.m. April 29. More information about the current contract or what the department has to offer is available at recruitment@wlpd.net.

Wayne council election petitions due by April 19

Individuals wishing to be considered for the city council ballot for the Nov. 8 election in Wayne have only until 4 p.m. April 19 to submit their paperwork and nominating petitions to the office of the city clerk at Wayne City Hall.

Council terms in Wards 4, 5 and 6 will expire. While voters agreed to vacate the ward system during the November 2020 election, registered electors in every ward are eligible to vote for every candidate on the ballot. Adoption of a single voting district system is under way and will be finalized during the election in 2024, officials said.

The November election will seat three council members, each with a 2-year term, and the positions will be on the ballot again as 4-year terms in 2024.

Candidates must submit a nominating petition with a minimum of 25 but no more than 50 signatures of registered voters. An affidavit of identity with a campaign finance act compliance statement is also required and individuals hoping to be candidates cannot be in monetary arrears to the city. Nominating petitions are available in the city clerk's office at Wayne City Hall.

If more than two individuals file proper paperwork and are determined as viable candidates for any of the three council seats, a primary election will take place Aug. 2. For more information, call Wayne City Clerk Tina Parnell at (734) 722-2204. Wayne City Hall is located at 3355 South Wayne Road.

See How They Run at Inspire Theatre

Inspire Theatre will present See How They Run April 8, 9, 10, 15, 22 and 23 at the Westland Center for the Arts.

The play, set in the idyllic English countryside, includes madcap mayhem and mischief as the minister's new actress wife gets a surprise visit from a handsome actor, a former theater co-star. Mistaken identities cause the spinster church lady to believe that her beloved vicar's wife is having an affair which she attempts to expose. Added to the complications are a cockney maid who has seen too many American movies, an escaped German prisoner of war, the visiting Bishop, a novice cleric and four men in clergyman suits.

Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for Friday and Saturday performances and 2 p.m. for Saturday and Sunday matinees. Tickets are priced at $17 and available at inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com.

The Westland Center for the Arts is located at 33455 Warren Road in Westland. For more information, call (734) 751-7057.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 7, 2022
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams
Absent / Excused: Eva Webb
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Robert McCraight, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Administrative Staff in Attendance:
D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Derran Shelby - Deputy Police Chief

1. **Agenda**
   - **A.** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
2. **Minutes**
   - **A.** **Res. #22-051** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 28, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Williams Abstain - Wadsworth **Motion Carried**
   - **B.** **No Special Meetings were held on Monday, February 28, 2022.**
3. **Petitioner** - None
4. **Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**
   - **A.** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
5. **Mayor's Report - Robert A. McCraight, Mayor** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
6. **Clerk's Report - Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
   - **A.** **Res. #22-052** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to amend the 2021/22 Fee Schedule for the Building & Safety Department to include a License Referral fee of $300.00 for inspections under the licensing requirements of Chapter 28, Article II, Section 28-87 of the City Code of Ordinances. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   - **B.** **Res. #22-053** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 21/22-10 in the amount of $18,000.00 to cover unforeseen costs to the Wayne County Drain Assessment due to increased costs for the Drain's Public Benefit Account. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
7. **Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
8. **Public** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
9. **Unfinished Business** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
10. **New Business** - None
11. **Communication** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
12. **Adjournment**
    Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to adjourn the Meeting at 8:13 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on March 7, 2022.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 6:54 pm. Roll call: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren; Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Finance Director Holtz, Public Safety Director/ Chief of Police Luke, Fire Chief Brown, DPW Director Danci and 11 attendees.

3. **Agenda:** Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Agenda with the following edits;
   ADD: 13. New Business, Agenda Item G.
   "Consider approval of the rejection of all Bids on the Sumpter Rd parcel with the Township placing this property out for bid in the future under current guidelines, policy, procedure & resolution stating a minimum, acceptable bid of the appraised value of $80,000."

   13. New Business, Agenda Item H.
   "Consider approval and accept the Property Offerings Bid Committee recommendation to rejection all Bids received on the Arkona Rd & Martinsville Rd parcels and request from all interested bidding parties a revised bid & proposal due within (7) days of notice receipt submitted to Sumpter Township."

   13. New Business, Agenda Item I.
   "Consider approval of the bid received for the demolition of property located at 24985 Sumpter Rd from Diversified Excavating in the amount of $9,368."

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

4. **Public Comments:** Five (5) Attendees spoke.
*DPW Director Danci provided an update on several projects being addressed by the DPW. BioAir Project, DPW Inventory Levels are improving, Bids for Underground Services are in process, 38 total homes are set up for lead & copper testing (60 are required in the future), Watershed Meeting prior week, to remind residents if your Water Billing usage is followed by the letter "E" it's an estimated meter reading - contact the DPW to schedule a service appointment to ensure the meter is operating properly to eliminate the need to estimate usage. The All Year Tree Service clearing around hydrants is being set up.

5. **Minutes:**
Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte accept the Bid Committee Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

6. **Warrants:**
Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the warrants total of $1,078,910.09. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. **Supervisor's Report - Bowman:**
   - Treasurer Warren was thanked for his Chair Leadership of the appointed Hiring Committee and asked to provide a briefing of activities. Treasurer Warren advised of the recent March 7, 2022 meeting, the Candidates consideration, 2nd Interviews & process. He confirmed the next Committee Meeting for 5:00 pm, March 14, 2022.

Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the Supervisor's report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. **Attorney's Report - Young:**
   - Attorney Young indicated that time spent typical of prior month's activities.
   - Review of the draft Budget and process.
   - Several Collective Bargaining Agreements currently in process. Some new issues of economics, manpower retention, etc.
   - His interpretation of the Bids Offering process status is that the Township will reject all received Bids for the Sumpter Rd parcel as provided and reserved by the process procedure and resolution.
   - 2Nd Reading of the Sumpter Township amendment of the Zoning Ordinances regarding location, use and operation of a Michigan Medical Marijuana Facility, MCLA 333.26421 and definition of specific Zoning Districts for CareGiver Operations. Approval of the Attorney's Report will signify acknowledgement and acceptance of the proposed Amendment.
   - Attorney Young recognizes that the United States is a Republic, a Constitutionally-limited Republic.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to accept the Attorney's report and to approve the above identified 2nd Reading and Amendment of Zoning Ordinance. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

9. **Police/Ordinance Report - Chief Luke:**
Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to approve the Police & Ordinance Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10. **Building Report - Bowman:**
Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to receive and file the Building report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

11. **Fire Report - Chief Brown:**
Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to approve the Fire Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12. **Board Response:**
   - Trustee Rush reminds that SkyWarn Training will be April 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm, Fire Station #1. Public and 1st Responders are invited. Excellent 1 hour Course!
   - Trustee LaPorte discussed the proposed Bike/Walking Path Project and advises no new information has been received from Wayne County at this time. He further discussed some misinformation shared with the public on social media sites related to cost & funding of project, etc. Please know that there are many details not yet determined with this project and any such reports may be misleading and inaccurate. The Board and meeting attendees positively discussed the project and reasons for support. Research is still needed into affected easements, setbacks and costs.

13. **New Business:**
   A. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to approve to hire Eric Joseph Powell as a paid- on-call firefighter, contingent on him passing a physical and drug test. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

   B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush of acceptance for hiring Samantha Herman to the full time AFSCME Employee responsibilities of Clerk's Office Assistant, reporting to the Clerk's Office, effective March 14, 2022, at the current (90 day) AFSCME-CBA position and rate of pay. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Morgan and Rush. Nay: None. Abstained: Trustee LaPorte. Motion carried.

   C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to **REMOVE** this agenda item ~~to assign AFSCME Employee Dawn Hadyniak to the full-time responsibilities of Payroll Clerk / Elections Specialist, reporting to the Clerk's Office, effective immediately at the current AFSCME- CBA position and rate of pay.~~ Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

   ***Note:** The Board of Trustees concurred that this position, the identified duties and employee are fully & solely directed by the Clerk and her designee without need of Agenda Item(s) consideration or approval.

   D. Motion by Oddy, supported by Warren to approve of the at will contract for Mr. Chris Brinkmeier for Contracted Building Inspector and Consultant, effective immediately, for non-inspection related, specific incremental services, billed as incurred. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

   E. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve for Deputy Treasurer Erica Campbell to attend MMTA Basic Institute Training, not to exceed $1,274 as broken down in supporting documentation. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

   F. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve of 3rd Quarter Budget adjustments. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

   G. Motion by Oddy, supported by Warren to approve the rejection of all Bids on the Sumpter Rd parcel with the Township placing this property out for bid in the future under current guidelines, policy, procedure & resolution stating a minimum, acceptable bid of the appraised value of $80,000. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and Morgan. Nay: Trustee LaPorte. Motion carried.

   H. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to approve and accept the Property Offerings Bid Committee recommendation to rejection all Bids received on the Arkona Rd & Martinsville Rd parcels and request from all interested bidding parties a revised bid & proposal due within (7) days of notice receipt submitted to Sumpter Township. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and Morgan. Nay: Trustees LaPorte and Morgan. Motion carried.

   I. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the bid received for the demolition of property located at 24985 Sumpter Rd from Diversified Excavating in the amount of $9,368.

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14. **Announcements**:
   - Trustee LaPorte stated that he wanted to thank the DPW for quick, effective and courteous response to his grinder pump issue.

15. **Adjournment;** Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to adjourn at 8:14 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes prepared by;
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk
Sumpter Township

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Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

_____ _____
Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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ROMULUS

Hero's welcome

Police honor actions of young lifesaver

The newest, and shortest, Romulus police officer has already proven he is enough of a hero to serve alongside the 77-officers in the department.

Dawon Johnson, 7, was officially named as a Junior Police Officer and inducted into the Romulus Police Department last Thursday in a special ceremony at city hall. As members of the police and fire department applauded, Mayor Robert McCraight officially declared March 31 as Dawon Johnson Day in Romulus, in response to the youngster's heroism in helping to save his mother's life recently.

Dawon's mother had suffered a serious medical emergency while she and the second-grade student were at home. The new junior officer immediately called 911 and spoke to Senior Dispatcher Gerald Golden. Working together on the phone for more than 30 minutes, the two were able to determine the address and send medical help. Romulus Fire Department EMTs arrived and provided emergency medical care to Dawon's mom who was transported to a local hospital for treatment. She has now recovered, officials noted, and is doing well.

Golden said he was very impressed with the manner in which Dawon handled the emergency and the young hero's efforts to stay calm and collected. The youngster even managed to wash the dishes and mop the floor during the call. As the story of the young hero spread through the public safety departments, police officers and firefighters chipped in to purchase some gifts for Dawon and suggested the award ceremony last week.

Dawon, his mother, and several family members attended the special ceremony during which Dawon was lauded by members of both the police and fire departments and presented with several gifts, including a Nintendo Switch.

Romulus police presented gifts and accolades to 7-year-old Dawon Johnson last week for his actions in saving his mother's life during a medical emergency.

Police Chief Robert Pfannes commented, "Dawon is proof that heroes come in all shapes, sizes and ages."

Honored

Romulus police officers attended a Recognition Ceremony last Friday to welcome new members of the department and honor newly-promoted officers. One of the highlights of the event, officials said, was the recognition of Lt. Anthony Norman's 34-year law enforcement career. Norman recently announced his retirement from the department. During his law enforcement career, Norman worked for the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, served as a member of the DEA Task Force, as a K-9 handler, a community policing officer, and a school resource officer. During the ceremony, officers wished Norman well and noted that he "would be missed" in the department. Police Chief Robert Pfannes, left, presents Norman with a certificate of service during the ceremony which was attended by family members and several elected officials.

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WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN — EXECUTIVE — WARREN C. EVANS — SERVING 43 COMMUNITIES

Canton - Sumpter

Trustees review, OK township insurance plan

Members of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees approved the new township liability insurance contract during the March 22 meeting following a detailed presentation by John Johnson of Burnham Flower Insurance.

The annual premium of $118,041 includes multiple provisions for damage and loss of township property along with liability coverage. Johnson explained that as the township has been a member of the Michigan Township Participation Plan or PAR "for quite a few years," there are several benefits and grants available as part of the policy. He explained that the township has received a total of $37,000 as dividend returns and that a return is expected again this year although the amount has not yet been calculated.

Johnson also urged the township to take advantage of the risk return grants offered by the insurer. He said the township has already received two grants at $5,000 each and that criteria for the funding has been expanded to include a "wide variety of things that can be approved" including generators and training.

"Police, fire or EMS training may be covered and is potentially eligible for these grant funds," he told the trustees. Last fall, he said, there were about 90 applications or the grants and almost 70 of those were approved, and "we now offer reimbursement for professional certifications."

> *If township employees are in the county easement without permission from the county, who is liable if there are injuries?*

There were very few changes to the policy coverage, Johnson explained, although the policy does include a valuation update for replacement of items and a "3 to 4-percent inflation rider." He told the board that the insurer is "working with Esther (Township Clerk Esther Hurst) constantly" to insure accurate property records for coverage. "This is an intent to keep up with inflation," he added.

Trustee Don LaPorte asked Johnson to clarify that the $2.6 million valuation at Fire Station Number One with an $89,000 contents value did not include fire equipment. Johnson said that this was for the building and miscellaneous items such as building furniture but did not include the fire vehicles or actual equipment used to fight a fire which was covered under another policy.

Trustee Matt Oddy asked about the liability of the township for employees cutting weeds and vegetation on Wayne County property, something trustees agreed to do to allow for visibility of traffic signs and other vehicles and several intersections in the township.

"If township employees are in the county easement without permission from the county, who is liable if there are injuries," he asked.

Township attorney Rob Young suggested that the township send notification to the county saying that the clearing of the weeds from the intersections will be provided in an effort to solicit approval of access to the easements. That would insure the viability of liability coverage he and Johnson agreed.

The new policy became effective April 1.

B.L.O.C.K. youth programs receive $15,000 donation

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center Lead #LikeAGirl and Transpire Nights programs recently received a $15,000 donation from Masco Corp., a global leader in the design, manufacture, and distribution of branded home improvement and building products.

Lead #LikeAGirl is an award-winning program that serves a diverse group of young women between the ages of 11-15 and is designed to change the way that these participants think about what it means to Lead #LikeAGirl. Developed in 2016 by The B.L.O.C.K. Youth & Teen Center, this 9-month program enables participants to challenge themselves through workshops, activities, and conversations that are centered around self-esteem, healthy living and relationships, women in the media, service learning, women who wow and more. Participants who complete the 9-month commitment graduate from the program in front of family and friends, celebrating their new understanding of what it really means to Lead #LikeAGirl.

Transpire Nights which takes place at The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center monthly, provides support, education, and advocacy for area LBGTQ+ students, who can engage in discussions, plan activities, and build community with their peers. The Transpire program has been available to teens since 2020, in partnership with Plymouth-Canton PFLAG (Parents, Friends, Family) and Allies United with LGBTQ individuals. Workshops covering a variety of topics such as: LGBTQ 101, inclusive schools, overcoming adversity are led by a certified professional and are followed by a variety of social opportunities.

The Masco donation will include $10,000 directed to the Lead #LikeAGirl program and $5,000 earmarked for the Transpire Nights program.

"We are so grateful to receive this support for two of our very popular programs at The B.L.O.C.K. Youth & Teen Center," said Recreation Supervisor Laura Mortier. "These contributions have the potential to have a major impact on numerous participants in our Lead #LikeAGirl and Transpire Nights programs and on behalf of all our staff, I sincerely want to thank Masco for its continued generous support."

Comprised of more than 20 companies, the Masco family operates nearly 60 manufacturing facilities in the United States and more than than 20 in other parts of the world.

"The grant is part of Masco's Million Differences campaign, an initiative in which Masco, through its business units, is allocating $1,000,000 of its philanthropic funding to support organizations across the country that are working to break down barriers to diversity and inclusion," said Susan Sabo, MASCO director of Communications and Corporate Giving. "The B.L.O.C.K.'s Lead #LikeAGirl and Transpire Nights programs were nominated as the recipient of this donation because of the important opportunities they provide these young adults within our community."

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center, located on the third floor of the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. For more information about The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 398-5570.

Assault suspect sought

Canton police are seeking information about a man suspected in the assault of two people at the Michigan Avenue Wal-Mart parking lot Feb. 12. Police provided a surveillance photo of the suspect who is wanted in connection with the assaults which took place at about 12:30 p.m. He is described by police as about 30-years of age, 6-feet tall with a heavy build. He is believed to have been driving a silver SUV at the time of the incidents. Police have asked any individual with information about the identity of the man or his whereabouts to call the Canton Police Department at (734)394-5400 and at the auto attendant press 2, then 1.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
April 26, 2022 at 7:00 PM

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at the Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168 to consider requests for:

- Amendment to land use of the Mixed Use Planned Unit Development Agreement at 15550 Haggerty Rd. (Cantoro Market)
- Amendment to the commercial component of the Village at Northville Planned Unit Development Agreement
- Special Land Use for an addition to the clubhouse at 40941 8 Mile Rd.(Meadowbrook Country Club).

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Plans will be available for viewing at the Township between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Written comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168 no later than 12:00 PM on the day on the above meeting.

Matthew Wilk, Chair
Planning Commission

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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID
ITB 21/22-17 Three Year Uniform Rental & Laundry Services
ITB 21/22-18 Two Year As Needed Delivered Concrete Pricing

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (http://www.mitn.info/). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.

(2) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the bid documents.

(3) A total of two copies (one marked "Original" and one marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:00 P.M., **Thursday, 4/28/2022**. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the solicitation documents or submitted electronically on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct.

(4) At approximately 3:00 p.m., local time **4/28/2022**, all timely received bids will be publically opened and read.

(5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

(6) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the solicitation documents and copies of all required endorsements.

(7) For additional information contact Gary Harris, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing Purchasing@romulusgov.com.

(8) The City of Romulus strictly prohibits the reproduction or publishing of any published document or solicitation without the express written consent of the City of Romulus. Unauthorized posting of any notice of these documents or reference to said documents or solicitations is strictly prohibited.

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2002 FORD
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2010 FORD
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Copart has vehicles up for public auction Friday 4/15/22 at 10 AM at www.copart.com:

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12 BUIC REGAL PREM
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15 CHEV MALIBU 1LT
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Easter 'Eggstravaganza' returns to Maybury Farm

Spring will bring Eggstravaganza back to Maybury Farm this Saturday, April 9.

Following a 2-year hiatus, the popular egg hunt for children ages 2 to 10 years old will return to the farm this year. Eggstravaganza will feature egg hunts for children in three different age groups: 2 to 3-year-olds can participate in multiple hunts between 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; egg hunts for 4 to 6-year-olds will take place at 11 a.m. and egg hunts for 7 to 10-year-olds are set for 11:45 a.m. Each group will have their own egg hunt area and children in the two older groups will be tasked with finding a specific number of eggs, children will redeem their eggs for a prize bag filled with candy and treats from supporters in the community.

This is the fourth year for Eggstravaganza at Maybury Farm. In addition to the egg hunt, children can visit the Maybury Farm animals, listen to a story, plant seeds with the Friends of Maybury, play on the playground, and have their faces painted. Children will also have the opportunity to have their photo taken with the Easter Bunny and the event will feature appearances by Smokey the Bear, the Tooth Fairy, and other characters. Concessions will be available from Kona Ice, Bearclaw Coffee Co., S & S Kettle Corn, and All-City Dogs. All activities at Eggstravaganza are included in admission with the exception of food and drinks. A raffle will take place at 12:45 for all those who filled out the raffle ticket form. Eggstravaganza and the farm will close at 1 p.m.

Admission to Eggstravaganza is $10 per vehicle (cash only). Prize bags are limited to the first 800 children, but all children can participate in all the other activities going on at the farm. Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. Limited free parking will be available at Maybury Farm and there is additional parking at Maybury State Park (Recreation Passport required). Recreation Passports are $12 at the Secretary of State and $17 at the State Park entry. To learn more, visit www.mayburyfarm.org or call (248) 704-9211.

Eggstravaganza is sponsored by the Parks Partnership Committee (PPC), consisting of representatives from Maybury State Park, Northville Parks, and Recreation, Friends of Maybury State Park, Northville Community Foundation/ Maybury Farm, and Preservation Dental.

Maybury Farm is operated by the Northville Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Maybury Farm is a working farm with a mission to connect the community to animals and agriculture through hands-on experiences that are both engaging and educational. Maybury Farm is located at 50165 8 Mile Rd in Northville. It is 1-1/4 mile west of Beck Road on 8 Mile, 1/2 mile west of Maybury State Park. Enter at the Maybury Farm sign, do not enter the State Park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, visit www.mayburyfarm.org or www.facebook.com/mayburyfarm .

Legislator sponsors new state auto insurance bill

State Rep. Jewell Jones (D-Inkster), along with fellow members of the Michigan House of Representatives Democratic Caucus introduced a package of bills last week with bipartisan support to address concerns related to transparency and accountability with the state auto no-fault law and auto insurance system.

"Insurance companies are experiencing record profits while hard-working Michiganders are struggling with rising prices and reduced coverage," Jones said. "We need an insurance system that works for us, not just insurance companies. My bill would tackle the practice of redlining by banning auto insurance companies from using ZIP codes to charge certain communities, usually those that are Black or brown, higher prices. It's time we fix this and get auto accident survivors the care they need."

Jones sponsored House Bill House 6005 which would prohibit rate discrimination on the basis of any category protected under the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act (marital status, weight, sex, etc.), credit scores or other financial stress measures, and geographical location within Michigan and require insurance companies that have affiliate networks or the same parent company to offer consumers a quote that is the lowest they would get within the company or network.

Also introduced were House Bill 5996 which would address the issue of prohibiting insurers from denying payment if the treatment is "not usually associated" with accepted treatment. Sponsored by state Rep. Julie Rogers (D-Kalamazoo); House Bill 5997 which would place penalties on insurance companies that unreasonably deny claims. "Bad Faith Denial." Sponsored by state Rep. Yousef Rabhi (D-Ann Arbor); House Bill 5998 which would fix the loophole where some court rulings have basically exempted all regulated and licensed businesses (like insurance companies) from the Michigan Consumer Protection Act; House Bill 5999 would require the Department of Insurance and Financial Services to post their reports on auto no-fault complaints, billing issues, and utilization review publicly on its website. The reports will include the number of cases per patient. Sponsored by state Rep. Kevin Coleman (D-Westland); House Bill 6000 would require auto insurers to get their rates approved by DIFS, with an 8 percent profit margin cap. Sponsored by state Rep. Rachel Hood (D-Grand Rapids); House Bill 6001 would require payments to be issued within 30 days when the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) is statutorily mandated to issue refund payments to consumers. Sponsored by state Rep. Kelly Breen (D-Novi); House Bill 6002 would prohibit insurance companies or the third-party companies that are associated with the insurance company from reviewing administrative appeals. Sponsored by state Rep. Padma Kuppa (D-Troy); House Bill 6003 would prohibit insurers from refusing to pay provider bills on the basis that the bill is not in the insurer's preferred format or on the insurer's preferred form. Sponsored by state Rep. Regina Weiss (D-Oak Park) and House Bill 6004 would require the MCCA to disclose actuarial computation used in rate setting. Sponsored by state Rep. Mary Cavanagh (D-Redford.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 14, 2022
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Absent / Excused: Celeste Roscoe
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Robert McCraight, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Administrative Staff in Attendance:
Steve Hitchcock, City Attorney

1. **Agenda**
   A. Moved by **Tina Talley** seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
2. **Minutes**
   A. **Res. # 22-054** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** for approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Talley, Wadsworth, Williams Abstain - Eva Webb **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
   B. **Res. # 22-055** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** for approval of the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Study Session held on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the Quarterly Investment Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
3. **Petitioner** - None
4. **Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**
   Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
5. **Mayor's Report - Robert A. McCraight, Mayor** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
6. **Clerk's Report - Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
   A. **Res. #22-056** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the Public Hearing Request for Monday, March 28, 2022, at 6:45 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
   B. **Res. # 22-057** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Public Hearing Request for Monday, March 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
7. **Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer -** Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
8. **Public Comment** - None
9. **Unfinished Business**
10. **New Business**
11. **Warrant**
    A. **Res. # 22-058** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** for Approval of Warrant #: 22-5 for checks presented in the amount of $1,558,879.37. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
12. **Communication** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
13. **Adjournment**
    Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on March 14, 2022.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 28, 2022
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Absent / Excused: William Wadsworth
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Robert McCraight, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Administrative Staff in Attendance:
D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk, Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Kevin Krause - Director of Fire & Emergency Services; Derran Shelby - Deputy Police Chief; Merrie Druyor - TIFA/DDA Director; Patty Braden - Library Director

1. **Agenda**
   A. Moved by **Tina Talley,** seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
2. **Minutes**
   A. **Res. #22-038** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Williams Abstain - Webb **Motion Carried**
   B. **Res. #22-039** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Study Session held on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the 2022/23 FY budget for Council. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Williams Abstain - Webb **Motion Carried**
3. **Petitioner** - None
4. **Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**
   Res. #22-040 Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Betty Scott. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   Res. #22-041 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Mary Evelyn Carr. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   Clerk Bragg presented the memorial resolution to the family of Mary Evelyn Carr.
   Councilwoman Talley presented an award to the winner of the 2021 "Why I love Romulus" Contest and announced the 2022 "Why I Love Romulus" Contest to coincide with the birthday of the City.
   A. 2020-21 State of the Library Presentation
   Patty Braden, Library Director, presented a PowerPoint detailing the achievements of 2021 and goals for 2022 in the 2020/21 State of the Library.
   B. Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
5. **Mayor's Report - Robert A. McCraight, Mayor**
   Dr. Kari Krantz spoke before City Council regarding registration for the Romulus Community Schools Listening Sessions and solicited participation from residents and stakeholders of the school district.
   A. **Res. #22-042** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to concur with the Administration and authorize a no-fee permit for all Relay for Life activities, as well as the closure of Hunt Street between Goddard Road and Bibbins Street beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, September 23, 2022, and ending at 4:00 p.m. o Sunday, September 25, 2022. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   B. **Res. #22-043** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to concur with the administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Master Educational Affiliation Agreement between Romulus Fire Department and Schoolcraft Community College which will allow EMS students from Schoolcraft College to job shadow with the Romulus Fire Department as part of the State required clinical contact hours for the EMT program. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   C. **Res. #225-044** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and reject all bids received and award ITB 21/22-02 to Justice Fence Co. for the pur chase and installation of a security gate at the 34th District Court in the amount of $29,998.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   D. **Res. #22-045** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and award Bid ITB 21/22-10 to both bidding companies, Cadillac Asphalt (year one (1) $120.00 per ton, year two (2) $125.00 per ton) and Ajax Paving (year one (1) $115.00 per ton, year (2) $120.00 per ton) for a two (2) year term to expire on 2/28/2024 with the option to extend the bid for not more than three (3) additional one (1) year terms per the terms of the original bid and upon written mutual agreement for UPM -Cold Patch for the DPW. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   E. **Res. #22-046** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and award Bid ITB 21/22-13 to the two most responsive and responsible bidders, Jam Best One and Shrader Tire & Oil Inc. Jam Best One has guaranteed pricing for one year period ending February 28, 2023, and Shrader Tire an Oil have guaranteed pricing for a two-year period ending February 28, 2024. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   F. **Res. #22-047** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and introduce budget amendment 21/22-10 to cover unforeseen costs to the Wayne County Drain Assessment due to increased costs for the Drain's Public Benefit Account.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT FUND BALANCE	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
101 General Fund				
Expense				
101-445-934.401	Drain/Watersheds	$15,500.00	$18,000.00	$33,500.00
Fund Balance 101-000-390.000	Fund Balance	$8,979,616.011	$(18,000)	$8,979,598.011

Motion Carried Unanimously

6. **Clerk's Report - Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
   A. **Res. #22-048** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Study Session request for Monday, March 7, 2022, at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the Quarterly Investment Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   B. **Res. #22-049** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to amend the dates of the 2022 Citywide Spring Yard Sale to Thursday, May 19th, Friday May 20th, Saturday May 21st, and Sunday, May 22nd with rain dates of Thursday May 26th, Friday May 27th, Saturday May 28th, and Sunday May 29th and amend the dates of the 2022 Citywide Fall Yard Sale to Thursday, September 22nd, Friday September 23rd, Saturday September 24th, and Sunday, September 25th with rain dates of Thursday, September 29th, Friday September 30th, Saturday October 1st, and Sunday, October 2nd. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
   For the Record, Councilperson Webb left the meeting due to illness at 8:29 p.m.
   Clerk Bragg announced the deadlines for the Wayne County tax foreclosure program and announced the Community Shred Day for the City of Romulus on May 14, 2022.
7. **Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer**
8. **Public Comment** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of the Minutes
9. **Unfinished Business** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of the Minutes
10. **New Business** - None
11. **Warrant**
    A. **Res. #22-050** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve Warrant #: 22-4 for checks presented in the amount of $1,360,063.22. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
12. **Communication** - Please see Clerk's Office for complete copy of the Minutes
13. **Adjournment**
    Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to adjourn the Meeting at 8:51 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 28, 2022.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
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Plymouth

Michigan Philharmonic begins matching fund drive

The Michigan Philharmonic is hoping that "April showers bring May dollars" as the annual matching fundraiser is under way through April and May. The orchestra is hoping to match the $20,000 donation of a major donor earlier this year.

According to Beth Stewart, executive director of the Philharmonic, the campaign is a reminder that "all size donations can make a difference in supporting a cultural jewel like the symphony, based for its entire history in Plymouth but with concerts and programs throughout southeast Michigan."

The Michigan Phil will wrap up the 76th season on May 21 with "The Great American Songbook" at Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center. This evening features versatile vocalist Suede performing some great American standards from Cole Porter, Richard Rodgers, Gershwin, Duke Ellington, Henry Mancini, Julie Styne and Stephen Sondheim.

Founded in 1945 as the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, today the Michigan Philharmonic is one of the most highly-respected regional orchestras showcasing classical and pop music in southeast Michigan communities throughout the year, Stewart noted.

> *The orchestra is hoping to match the $20,000 donation of a major donor earlier this year.*

Philharmonic Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn is wrapping up her 23rd season, a career that is the second longest leadership role in the organization's 76 years.

In addition to presenting a full season of concerts and programs, the Philharmonic partners with several school districts, the City of Plymouth, the Wayne County Community College District, the Huron Clinton Metroparks, Brighton Center for the Performing Arts and the Detroit River Conservancy - Parks Division for performances throughout southeast Michigan.

The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra provides young musicians numerous opportunities to hone their skills and take part in an array of programs and performances.

To donate or for tickets and more information, visit www.michiganphil.org or call (734) 451-2112.

Whipple Award nominations accepted until April 30

Nominations are now being accepted in Plymouth for the Ruth Huston-Whipple Award for Civic Engagement.

The award is named in honor of Ruth Huston-Whipple, the first female elected Plymouth City Commissioner (1934-1949), first female mayor of Plymouth (1940-1942) and first female Wayne County Board of Supervisors member. She was a 1913 graduate of Plymouth High School and later worked as a teacher and debate coach at the school.

Mrs. Whipple fought against school policies that discriminated against married women and eventually left the district in protest. She remained, however, a leader in the Plymouth community, championing the improvement of inhumane conditions at a local juvenile detention center and addressing environmental and beautification concerns in the city. The purpose of the Ruth Huston-Whipple Award for Civic Engagement is to honor a community member who, like Ruth Huston-Whipple, has positively impacted the quality of life in the City of Plymouth through his or her exceptional civic and/or philanthropic engagement in the community above and beyond reasonable expectations; demonstrated character, commitment and/or leadership qualities; actively participated in community or civic organizations whose sphere of influence falls within the City of Plymouth and exemplified accomplishments and contributions to the economic vitality and/or residential quality of life in the City of Plymouth.

Nominees must have demonstrated engagement, leadership and achievement over a period of time. A person nominated must have demonstrated civic and/or philanthropic engagement within the City of Plymouth. Examples of impact should show a community benefit, delivered with integrity and perseverance. Married couples can be nominated although past Ruth Huston-Whipple Award recipients, current members of the Plymouth City Commission and full-time employees of the City of Plymouth are not eligible to be nominated.

The nomination period closes April 30 of each year when a selection committee comprising two mayor-appointed city commissioners and a representative from the City of Plymouth administration will select and notify the winner(s).

The nomination form is available at plymouthmi.gov/nomination.

Past Ruth Huston-Whipple Award Winners were Debra Madonna in 2020 and the late Jim Jabara in 2021.

'Eggcellent' fun

The Plymouth Community Easter Egg Hunt organized and sponsored by the members of the Plymouth Lions Club is set to begin at 10 a.m. April 16 at the baseball fields at Plymouth Township Park, also known as McClumpha Park. Children ages 1 through 10 are welcome to participate in the fun when Lions Club volunteers hide approximately 9000 eggs, 100 of which will be stuffed with special prizes for the lucky children who find them. Lions Club members will also be providing free vision screening for children at the event. McClumpha Park is located at 46640 West Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

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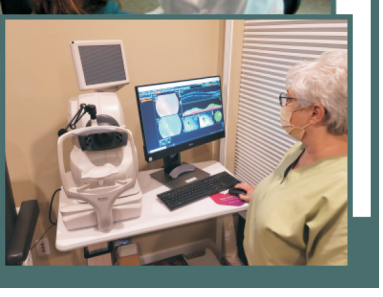
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